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P.T.O. EXECUTIVE BOARD URGES MORE PARTICIPATION

Several months ago over 500 people attended a Board of Education meeting to protest the Board's abandonment of its projected purchase of portable classrooms for the 1966-67 school year. The Board, as we all know, refused to reconsider.

Since then the Board has continued to meet and make further plans and decisions, but the people have stayed home. Only a handful have continued to attend. Only a few people are aware of the plans rapidly being formulated for the construction of two new schools: one a K-6 on Lloyd Road and the other a 6-7-8 in Cliffwood; at a cost of \$2.5 million dollars to the taxpayers.

In the opinions of Herbert Parker and Herbert Feder, Board members, and Mr. Foster, superintendent of schools, they will not be adequate for the projected school population at their completion.

It is a miracle that Mr. Parker and Mr. Feder, our township representatives to the Board, can maintain their great composure and dignity at the monthly Board meetings. They both attend with much evident advance preparation, making constructive and intelligent proposals which are usually voted down by other Board members.

The Board has been talking of an October referendum and says it has no time for a good many things that would help to make sure that these new schools will answer our needs. No time for a census which the Board requested the local PTA's undertake and now shows no further interest in. No time for determining more accurately how many children from this area will be attending St. Clement's parochial elementary school. The Board says it will be over 400 and happily subtracts this figure from its out-dated statistics.

There's no time to return the proposed school plans to the architect to see if they could possibly be redesigned less expensively in order to add more classrooms. (This motion was made by Herb Parker at the July Board meeting and, with the exception of Mr. Feder, was voted down by the rest of the Board. It was only by a very close vote that the Board's own Building Committee got to see the plans!

The Board of Education says it plans its schools by figuring 30 children to a classroom. Why? Because, they say, they always have! At the last Board meeting (August 15th) they said they were settling the matter once and for all. They voted 6 "yes," 2 "no" (1 absent) to continue using 30 children per room. Mr. Foster uses 30 children per room as his third-choice figure. He has stated that you really should figure the classrooms needed by the number of children in a grade. Mr. Foster says good teachers will not work in such a school system.

Our Board cries that our primary need is classrooms, but is still proceeding with plans for two tennis courts at the high school. True, they won't spend more than \$14,000 on them. After all, that would be wasting the taxpayers' money.

Attendance at Board meetings is a necessity for all those who cry the need for better education. Is what has been good enough for the past 20 years good enough now? There is a solution to our problem. We must secure adequate representation on the school board.

Two seats for the Township will be available this February. We must see that they go to the qualified people. Now is the time to begin examining the records and intentions of those who are dedicated to better education. We must run two people that will attract this area's full support. We cannot afford to split our voting power among six or seven candidates, or even three.

Last year four people from Strathmore ran for two Board seats, with the result that only one was elected; another losing by ten votes.

Because of that we lost our portable classrooms and are now in our present situation. We urge you to attend the Board meetings and listen. You will learn that this area has two little representation. The two men who continue to speak with reason are ignored. We have no choice in the coming election. We must elect two more people to the Board. If we do not, it will be too late for many of our children.

(Signed)
THE EXECUTIVE BOARD
STRATHMORE P.T.O.

Twp. Police Seek Increase in Salaries

The Patrolmen's Benevolent Association, Local #163, of the Township of Matawan, is submitting a petition to the voters of Matawan Township for referendum to raise the pay schedule of said force in view of the rising cost of living and salary increases in all walks of life. They seek a raise of \$1,200 over a two-year period (\$600 each year).

When a similar petition was presented to the voters last year, the election ended in an overwhelming 3 to 1 majority in favor of the police benefits, which consisted of a paid pension, 11 paid holidays and paid hospitalization. What was actually received were 11 paid holidays, compensated by time off. The other benefits were not given to the members of the Police Department, since the governing body contends that the referendum was non-binding.

Early this year a public hearing on the budget was held. All citizens who spoke were in favor of granting the benefits to the police. No citizen spoke in opposition. Yet nothing was done.

The P.B.A. brought suit against the Township of Matawan to enforce the voice of the People and the matter is presently pending in the Courts.

The Police Force of Matawan Township is a young force, composed of men of a very high calibre. Due to the increase in the crime rate, which has spread from the cities into the suburbs, these men are forced to work many hours in overtime and Court appearances. Though this tremendous workload puts a great deal of burden on these patrolmen, the Matawan Township Police have not allowed it to interfere with their prompt, expert and courteous service.

The public doesn't seem to realize this. They take the Police Department for granted, knowing they'll be there when needed. How could they possibly fail? It's their job to protect the public. Yet some of these same people that these men dedicate their lives to are very quick to refuse us when we need them.

The police depend on you, as you depend on them. They depend on you for their benefits, salary, equipment and personnel. Therefore, they submit to you

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Herb Parker — A Profile

Herb Parker is one of the few people who are fully aware of the present and future problems of Matawan Township. As an engineer who is a member of the Board of Education and the Township Planning Board, he is intimately involved with the planning and construction of adequate schools for the children of our community and with plans for the future development of Matawan.

These problems could be, and have been, the subject of separate articles and studies but are included in this profile because, as a typical Strathmore resident, Herb reflects the thinking of a majority of our community.

In discussing his activities on the Board of Education, Herb was quick to point out that there is no factionalism, although the two members from Strathmore, Herb Parker and Herb Feder, are often on the short end of a 7-2 or 6-3 vote. Mr. Parker believes that each member of the board votes their honest opinions on the needs for the school children and community. Herb Parker and Herb Feder do not always agree and at times do not vote alike.

Mr. Parker did point out that the Board of Education is almost big business because of the large sums involved. The present budget totals \$3,600,000 for capital and expense items in addition to the \$1,500,000 being spent on the Lloyd Road School. The Board is considering additional school construction for the near future totaling \$2,200,000.

These costs will be a major tax problem to Matawan residents and the school construction program — a vital need for the children. As an engineer in the construction industry, Herb is well able to evaluate many of the problems facing the Board.

A member of the Township Planning Board, Herb reflects their opinion of the recently developed Master Plan. The general consensus is that this plan recognizes the present conditions in the Township but does not offer any real programs for the future Township development. For this reason the Plan was accepted, in recognition of the fact that it was completed, but has not been adopted. The final plan that is adopted will be the guide for the future development of our community and will affect each resident.

Mr. Parker's background well qualifies him to serve with these two organizations. He graduated from the City College of New York City in 1956 with a Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering. Since then he has worked for the W. J. Barney Company, a heavy construction firm in New York City. Starting as Assistant Project Engineer, he advanced to Engineer, then Field Superintendent, to his present position of Estimator. During this period he successfully passed the examinations for Professional Engineer.

Herb has worked on such varied pro-

jects as a \$3,000,000 office and warehouse in Rye, N.Y.; the \$12,000,000 Bus Station at the George Washington Bridge; a \$3,000,000 plant for the Staten Island Advance; a \$6,000,000 Doctors' Building and Addition to Columbia Presbyterian Hospital in New York City; a \$5,000,000 Medical Research Building, Yeshiva University, etc.

As a field engineer for the prime contractor and now as an estimator, Herb has to work with as many as 40 sub-contractors, representing many trades and skills. Even a large warehouse, the simplest type of construction, involves at least 15 trades. The job of an estimator is particularly difficult in the competitive heavy construction industry. A high bid means no contract, and a bid that is too low can mean a loss on the job.

Herb was born in 1933 in Queens, N.Y., and attended the local schools and Franklin K. Lane High School before attending City College. His wife Jan was born and raised in Yorkville, New York City; attended the local schools and then the Connecticut Women's College in New London, majoring in art and history, receiving a Bachelor of Arts degree. She then attended the Sorbonne for a year and was able to visit much of Europe. Upon her return she worked in the Publicity Department of the Metropolitan Museum of Art. During this period she met Herb and they were married in 1961. At that time Herb was working on the G.W.B. Bus Station, so they lived in Washington Heights, within walking distance of his job. They moved into their ranch house at 43 Ayrmont Lane in January, 1963, and Herb attended the first organizational meeting of the Civic Association. He became a member and later chairman of the Zoning Committee and has ably represented Strathmore residents on many occasions. In May, 1964, he was elected and served as President of the Civic Association. In the early part of 1966 he was appointed to the Township Planning Board and elected to the Board of Education.

Herb does not consider himself a joiner and has few hobbies. He is a very competent do-it-yourselfer and the innovations in his home are ample testimony of his skill as a carpenter, electrician and mechanic. He does have one word for all would-be do-it-yourselfers who lack the skill and knowledge of the trades involved. That is: "If you can't - - - don't!" Hire a competent contractor instead.

Herb has a real stake in our community and the school system because he has four pre-school children, two boys and two girls.

**CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETING
 FIRST WEDNESDAY OF
 EVERY MONTH**

Police Raises

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for an increase in the present salary to balance out the many extra hours that they work in fighting crime and trying to preserve our growing township as a clean and wholesome place in which to live.

Voters and citizens of Matawan Township, the entire Police Department seeks your aid. Please help by signing the petition and voting in favor of the raise in November.

Submitted by Clifford C. Martin, Jr.
 President
 Patrolmen's Benevolent Association

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 Its September Schedule**

Saturday, Sept. 10, 12 midnight — Selichot Services.
 Wednesday, Sept. 14, 7:30 p.m. — Rosh Hashanah Services
 Thursday, Sept. 15, 8:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. — Rosh Hashanah Services
 Junior Congregation, 10 a.m. First Aid Building, Church St.
 Friday, Sept. 16, 8:30 a.m. and 8:30 p.m. — Rosh Hashanah Services
 Junior Congregation, 10 a.m., First Aid Building, Church St.
 Saturday, Sept. 17, 9 a.m. — Shabbat Shuvah Services
 Junior Congregation, 10:30 a.m., First Aid Building, Church St.
 Friday, Sept. 23, 6:30 p.m. — Kol Nidre Services
 Saturday, Sept. 24, 8:30 p.m. — Yom Kippur Services
 Junior Congregation, 10 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., First Aid Building.
 Yiskor (Memorial Services) 11:30 a.m. Mincha-Neilah, 5:00 p.m.
 Wednesday, Sept. 28, 8:00 p.m. — Sukkot Services
 Thursday, Sept. 29, 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.
 Junior Congregation, 10:00 a.m.
 Friday, Sept. 30, 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. Junior Congregation, 10:00 a.m.
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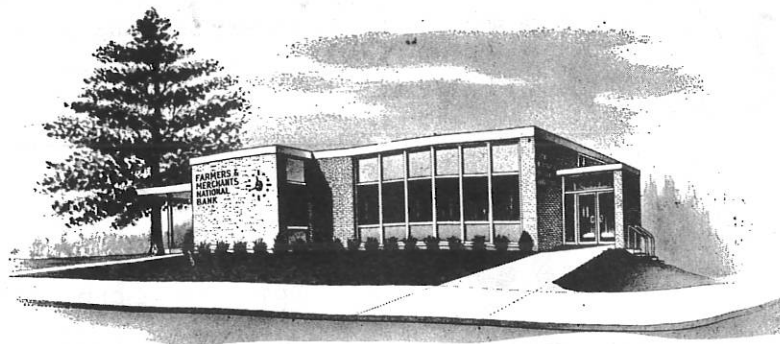
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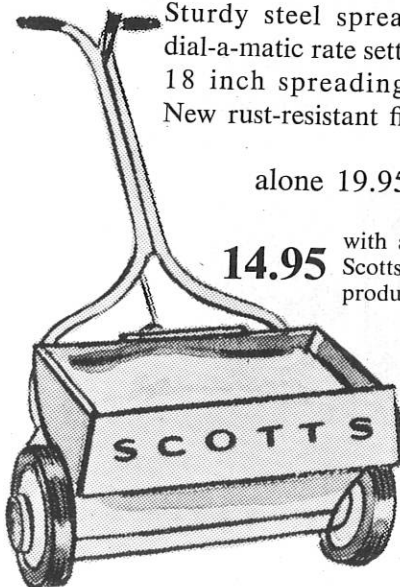
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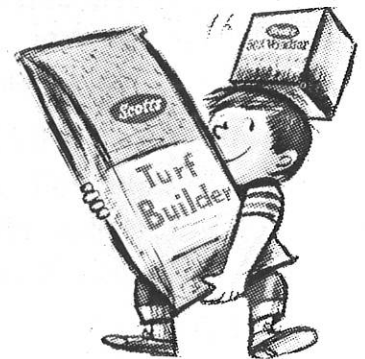


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COMMUNITY CALENDAR SEPTEMBER, 1966

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AMERICAN LEGION POST 176
 Post House, 8:00 p.m.
V.F.W. AUXILIARY
 Post House, 8:00 p.m.
ST. CLEMENT'S ROSARY-ALTAR SOCIETY
 Strathmore Lanes, 8:00 p.m.
GREAT BOOKS DISCUSSION GROUP
 Middlesex Rd. Rec. Ctr., 8:00 p.m.
- 5**
ROSARY - ALTAR SOCIETY
 St. Benedict's, 8:00 p.m.
ST. CLEMENT'S HOLY NAME SOCIETY
 Strathmore Lanes, 8:00 p.m.
TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
 Municipal Building, 8:00 p.m.
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH BD. OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, Church House, 8:00 p.m.
AMERICAN ASS'N. OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN
 Presbyterian Church House, Shrewsbury, 8:15 p.m.
V.F.W. — Post House, 8:00 p.m.
WOMEN OF TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
 Church, 8:00 p.m.
KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS J.F.K. CENTEN. LODGE
 Keyport Elks, 8:30 p.m.
- 6**
MUNICIPAL COURT
 Municipal Building, 7:00 p.m.
FIRST AID & RESCUE SQUAD
 Cliffwood First Aid Bldg., 8:00 p.m.
MASONIC LODGE
 Masonic Temple, 8:00 p.m.
BAYSHORE HOSP. MAT. TWP. AUXILIARY
 Strathmore Elementary School, 8:30 p.m.
DANTE ALIGHIERI SOCIETY
 Strathmore Elementary School, 8:30 p.m.
- 7**
HARBOR COMMISSION
 Municipal Bldg., 8:00 p.m.
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
CARDINAL NEWMAN COUNCIL
 Strathmore Lanes, 8:30 p.m.
STRATHMORE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
P.T.O. EXECUTIVE BOARD, 8:30 p.m.
- 8**
JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
 Magnolia Inn, 8:30 p.m.
- 12**
HOLY NAME SOCIETY
 St. Benedict's, 7:30 p.m.
LOCAL ASSISTANCE BOARD
 Municipal Building, 8:00 p.m.
TEMPLE SHALOM YOUTH GROUP
 Strathmore Elementary School, 8:00 p.m.
- 13**
MUNICIPAL COURT
 Municipal Building, 7:00 p.m.
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH LADIES' AID
 Church House, 8:00 p.m.
MAT. BRIDGE CLUB MASTERS POINT GAME
 American Legion Hall, Mat., 8:00 p.m.
O R T, Strathmore Lanes, 8:30 p.m.

ATTENTION — ORGANIZATIONS

All organizations wishing to have events, meetings, etc., listed in the Community Calendar must submit the following information to The Observer by the 15th of the preceding month: Date of the event, organization name, time of the event, and the meeting place. Mail to:

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ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
 Masonic Temple, 8:00 p.m.
SHADE TREE COMMISSION
 Municipal Bldg., 8:00 p.m.
MAT. TWP. REPUBLICAN CLUB
 Oak Shades Firehouse, 8:30 p.m.
- 15**
AMERICAN LEGION POST 176
 Post House, 8:00 p.m.
V.F.W. AUXILIARY
 Post House, 8:00 p.m.
GREAT BOOKS DISCUSSION GROUP
 Middlesex Rd. Rec. Center, 8:00 p.m.
MAT. TWP. UTILITIES AUTHORITY
 30 Noble Place, 8:00 p.m.
- 16**
TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH, COUPLES CLUB
 Church, 8:30 p.m.
- 19**
BOARD OF EDUCATION
 Mat. Grammar School Library, 7:55 p.m.
TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
 Municipal Building, 8:00 p.m.
V. F. W., Post House, 8:00 p.m.
KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS
J.F.K. CENTENNIAL LODGE
 Oak Shades Firehouse, 8:30 p.m.
- 20**
MUNICIPAL COURT
 Municipal Bldg., 7:00 p.m.
MASONIC LODGE
 Masonic Temple, 8:00 p.m.
TOASTMASTERS, Magnolia Inn, 8:30 p.m.
- 21**
PLANNING BOARD
 Municipal Building, 8:00 p.m.
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
CARDINAL NEWMAN COUNCIL
 Strathmore Lanes, 8:30 p.m.
STRATHMORE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL P.T.O.
 All-Purpose Room, 8:30 p.m.
DEBORAH—Strathmore Lanes, 8:30 p.m.
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH BD. OF TRUSTEES
 Church House, 9:00 p.m.
CHILDREN'S CULTURAL WORKSHOP
REGISTRATION
 Lobby, Strathmore School, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

- 22**
TWP. COORDINATING COMMITTEE
 Municipal Building, 8:00 p.m.
COLUMBIAN AUXILIARY
CARDINAL NEWMAN COUNCIL
 Member's Home, 8:15 p.m.
CHILDREN'S CULTURAL WORKSHOP
REGISTRATION
 Lobby, Strathmore School, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
- 23**
INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION
 Municipal Building, 8:00 p.m.
- 26**
BOARD OF RECREATION COMMISSIONERS
 Municipal Building, 8:00 p.m.
TEMPLE SHALOM YOUTH GROUP
 Strathmore Elementary School, 8:00 p.m.
FIRST AID & RESCUE SQUAD AUXILIARY
 Cliffwood First Aid Building, 8:30 p.m.
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH BD. OF DEACONS
 Church House, 8:00 p.m.
- 27**
MUNICIPAL COURT
 Municipal Building, 7:00 p.m.
JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
 Magnolia Inn, 8:30 p.m.
- 28**
ZONING BOARD
 Municipal Building, 8:00 p.m.
ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
 Masonic Temple, 8:00 p.m.
B'NAI B'RITH WOMEN
 Oak Shades Firehouse, 8:30 p.m.
STRATHMORE DEMOCRATIC CLUB
 Strathmore Lanes, 8:30 p.m.

YMCA Moves Again

Tuesday, Aug. 30, 1966, was MOVING DAY for the Community YMCA, as the organization moved its headquarters to newly-purchased property at 166 Maple Avenue in Red Bank.

This is the second move in recent months for the "Y". The first move was from the well-known building at 40 Riverside Avenue to an office at 18 Broad Street. The new headquarters at 166 Maple Avenue will be home to the "Y" and to the Youth Employment Service until such time as construction begins on the proposed new YMCA.

YMCA leaders are currently engaged in the early, or Major Gifts phase, of the campaign to raise funds for the proposed facility. In the meantime, the "Y" will offer a de-centralized program which will be located in homes, schools, churches and the Y's popular outdoor facility, the Arrowhead Family Center.

Letters to Editor

Dear Sir:

Are we to assume that your latest issue is trying to WHITEWASH the Matawan Township Utilities Authority for their failure to correct the water storage facilities in Strathmore,

Are we to assume, based on your last issue, that you are trying to placate the Strathmore Democratic Club?

If so, why?

Sincerely,
J. B. RIFKIN
 26 Norwood Lane
 Matawan, N. J.

This letter was referred to the author of the article and his answer is as follows—

During the past water shortage, rumors and accusations were being circulated blaming various parties for the shortage. The Civic Association realized that the only way to approach the problem rationally was to examine and publish the facts and let the chips fall where they may. This is what I did.

The figures were not new to me as I had investigated this same problem last year. The figures and facts in the article are accurate and to date no one has challenged them. In assembling material for the article, two members of the Utilities Authority, both of whom are not members of the Strathmore Democratic

Club, were contacted. In fact, no member of the Strathmore Democratic Club was interviewed or contacted in reference to this article. I am not a member of the Strathmore Democratic Club and I am not and have not been a member of any political club.

As a Professional Engineer, I am able and qualified to make analyses of this type and frequently do so in connection with my employment.

No attempt was made to propose a solution, even though the alternatives are obvious. The best and ideal solution would be an additional well, additional filtering capacity and additional storage capacity, but this would be expensive.

The Utility Authority has to try to effect some type of compromise that will furnish additional capacity for all but the most severe conditions and yet hold a rate increase to a minimum. It can be done with the cooperation and understanding of the community. The extremes are the present restricted watering schedule at no increase in rates or unlimited watering at a big boost in rates.

THEODORE A. ENDRESEN

Editor, The Observer:

For quite some time I have been disturbed by the physical ugliness surrounding many public and commercial establishments in Matawan Township.

For example, it is appalling to see

lovely locust trees growing in islands of neglected grass and thriving weeds at the Strathmore Shopping Center. The bushes planted near the stores will surely not survive unless they are properly cared for. At the Strathmore Bath and Tennis Club many trees seem to be dying and the property in general is extremely shabby in appearance. Furthermore, on Route 34 a "Welcome to Matawan Township" sign stands on an island of weeds and untrimmed grass against a background of bushes, one of which is dead.

Has the time not come for our progressive-minded township to correct this situation? Should our town not make provisions to legislate and uphold standards of civic beauty? Is it not the duty of the municipal government to prevail upon the offenders to maintain the upkeep of their property?

As for the maintenance of public property, why not institute a program whereby the energies of our able-bodied youth can be utilized to good advantage? Perhaps some constructive activity on their part will instill in them the sense of pride in our community which should be shared by all of us.

Yours very truly,
DOLORES HEINZE
 (Mrs. Frank Heinze)

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From the Trustees' Desk

The interview with Mr. Parker, contained elsewhere in this paper, brought a major point to light which has not been appreciated by the community at large. Mr. Parker referred to the honest difference of opinion that exist within the Board of Education and this was discussed with various members of the community knowledgeable in this area.

A school system has two activities: the regular curriculum and the "extra-curricular" activities; the education in the classroom, and the school teams and recreational activities. There appears to be a question of emphasis, the two newer members of the board, both from Strathmore, feeling that the major emphasis should be on scholastic achievement and the older members are more concerned with physical activities.

All members of the Board of Education agree that both scholastic achievement and physical activity are vital for the development of the children, but which comes first: more classrooms with fewer students and better instruction — or — more gyms, auditoriums and other facilities, but over-crowded classrooms. In the intensely competitive world that the children will face, the major outside-of-home influence will be the quantity and quality of their education.

These facts and opinions determine the cost and space allocation of our schools. Two proposed schools for Matawan have 49% and 35% allocated to

classrooms. The rest is allocated for gymnasiums, auditoriums, cafeterias and other rooms. The optimum cost of classrooms should be about \$30,000 and some schools have been built for less. An example is the Strathmore School that cost far less than \$30,000 per classroom. (This formula divides the number of classrooms into the cost of the building.) The inclusion of extra facilities increased the cost of the Ravine Drive school to over \$50,000 per classroom and the Lloyd Road school to about \$47,000 per classroom.

Increased emphasis on physical plant may well deprive many students of a good education. The State of New Jersey must approve all school plans and financial planning for the Board of Education.

At the present time, Matawan Township has exceeded the in-bonding capacity for school purposes and with each additional school built the State is expected to be more conservative in granting further approvals and may even restrict school construction.

In addition, voters and taxpayers who have to pay increasing taxes can be expected to limit or reject school budgets and limit school construction as they have in most adjacent communities. Faced with limited funds and a growing school population it is vital that adequate classroom facilities be provided and economies made in other areas.

ART GUILD ANNOUNCES ITS FALL SCHEDULE

The late summer exhibit at the Guild of Creative Art will be a collection of paintings, drawings and collages by Diane Nolan, Middletown artist, whose first one-man show at the gallery which opened on August 27 and may be seen through September 30. A Guild exhibiting member since 1962, Diane Nolan presents recent works which demonstrate her flexibility in both technique and interpretation.

Much of her work on view at the Guild reflects the artist's concern with nature forms. Flowers appear frequently in both representational and non-objective treatment and in a variety of media as in the brilliantly colored "Funny Flower," a five-foot by fifteen-inch fantasy in acrylics.

Paintings, pen and ink drawings and other graphic techniques are represented, as well as a sizeable group of collages, one of which, "Young Girl," is an impressionistic study of a figure in a grass-field. This 2½ by 3½-foot collage is done in Japanese tissue and a slightly heavier opaque striated paper on masonite.

Diane Nolan's work displays a cheerful sense of color; contrasts are bold and brilliant and her palette is broad in its range of color.

The artist, who is on the design staff of the Lily-Tulip Cup Corporation, received her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in the field of illustration and graphic art from Pratt Institute in New York City. While attending school she studied with Jacob Landau, Sam Fischer, Richard Lindner and Fritz Eichenberg. She received the Henry Gasser Scholarship Award from Newark Art School for two consecutive years.

Woodcuts, sculpture and oil paintings by the young artist are in Pratt Institute's permanent art collection and she has exhibited in the Maplewood Art Association, the Newark Museum, the I.B.M. Gallery and the Pratt Institute gallery in New York City and in the Guild of Creative Art.

The Guild of Creative Art is open every day except Monday from 12:00 to 5:00 p.m. August 15 to Sept. 15: Donald Voorhees Water Colors—Alida Lovett Gallery. October: Sigmund Kozlow—Recent Paintings.

Install New "Regiscope"

Automation took another step forward at the Farmers & Merchants National Bank this week when the bank installed a "Regiscope" at each banking office. The Regiscope is an instrument which will take a picture of each new account customer and his original deposit, together with the account signature card.

The two-lens camera makes one composite picture which shows the new depositor and his transaction. The pictures are recorded on a 16-millimeter film which will only be processed if it later develops that the transaction opening the account was made with intent to defraud the bank.

TEEN-AGE INNOVATION: BABY-SITTERS ORGANIZE

What is the Baby-Sitters' Union? You mean you haven't heard of it yet? Well, just ask any of the good, responsible baby-sitters in Matawan. Many are already members of this new organization.

The members are capable baby-sitters, all over 16 years old, who were upset by the reputation their generation has acquired, and who wanted to prove that they could do something constructive on their own. At the same time, they remedied Matawan's overwhelming problem of the scarcity of good, reliable sitters. They decided to organize, drew up a constitution and they were off!

Their constitution has clearly defined rules about child-care, team-sitting (a new idea which gives you two sitters, with twice the individual care for your children, without the extra expense), prohibiting guests, use of the employer's telephone for extended periods of time, care of your house, and refreshment and smoking while on the job, among other things. It sets up guidelines for maximum baby-sitting techniques.

Now the nearly impossible job of finding a capable sitter is as easy as picking up a telephone and calling Linda Trautmann at 566-7261 or Taffy Yetman at 556-0509. These girls will arrange for one of the union girls to sit for you, often at short notice.

Children's Workshop Enlarges Its Staff

The Children's Cultural Workshop, Inc. of Matawan will begin the fall semester with three additions to its teaching staff.

Rene Zinmeister, art consultant with the Girl Scouts, will teach art. She studied at the Art Students League, at the New School in New York and with Lillie Blumenow. Beginning art will be taught by Joyce Rapoport, a graduate of State Teachers College at Oswego, N.Y., who has taught in the Plainfield and Middletown school systems and at the Red Oak Cooperative Nursery.

The pre-school kindergarten program will be taught by Joan Gerrig, who holds a B.S. in Education from the Boston School of Education. She has been with the Cooperative Pre-School Play School in Rye, N.Y., Rye Public School and Paramus Public Schools.

The enlarged fall program will include four groups in Art for K-1, 2-3, 4-5 and 5-6 Grades; Dance for 3-4 and 4-5 Grades; Physical Fitness for 2-3 and 3-4 Grades; Guitar for 4-5 and 5-6 Grades; Piano for 4-5 and 5-6 Grades, and a Pre-School Kindergarten program for children who will be four years old by September 30, 1966.

Registration will be held on the 21st and 22nd of September at the Strathmore Elementary School.

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